ST JOHN'S HORSE SPORTS DAY
Congratulations to all Parents and Friends who organised and helped run the St. John’s Horse Sports Day on Friday. Special mention to Nea Worrell who ran the canteen, to Kim Tym who worked tirelessly over the last couple of weeks making sure everything was organised and the grounds were ready for competition. Our judges Sherrin Whale, Judy Klein and John King. Thanks also to our Yr 5/6 students who helped out on the day.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE
Rolls are completed in book form and online each day and regularly audited by the Catholic Education Office. Please remember to notify the school if your child is absent. This can be done either by telephone or a note when your child returns to school. This information is retained with the rolls which are legal documents. All absences require verbal or written notification.

REFLEX MATHS AND MATHS ONLINE
Y3/4 students have been registered for Reflex Mathematics Online for a months free trial. Reflex maths helps children with quick recall of number facts. All children have their password and are encouraged to go online at home if possible. I would appreciate any parent feedback on the programme, we may consider purchasing it in 2017 if we have evidence it is worthwhile.

All students at St. John’s have been registered for Maths Online which has explanatory video clips, activities and games to support topics covered in class. Children have their own password for this programme.

P&F MEETING FOR TERM 4
A Meeting will be held at the school this Friday afternoon at 3.30pm. All welcome.

SWIMMING—Overdue Notes
If you did not return your Swimming Permission note last week there is another one attached to this newsletter. Please complete and return it to school so we can commence swimming as soon as it is warm enough. Please note that pool entry will be $3 per student each week unless you hold a season ticket.

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On Sunday 25 September, 19 music students from Baradine and Coonabarabran as well as three adult musicians participated in a band workshop and performance with Steve Lavis and the Muirfield High School Concert Band. Steve, who is from Kenebri originally, visited Coonabarabran for a second time this year. Baradine/Coonabarabran is very special to Steve and he loves working with the children from this area. We are certainly very privileged to have him visit us and enrich our musical lives! This time Steve brought his concert band from Muirfield High on a tour to the Baradine/Coonabarabran region. They performed at Coonabarabran High School, the Baradine Bowling Club, the Baradine hospital as well as the Siding Spring Observatory while touring.

The band workshop was an all-day event. The junior students learnt two band pieces during the course of the day, and the more senior players joined the band in playing a whole variety of pieces. The juniors were coached in tutorial sessions by the senior Muirfield band members and thoroughly enjoyed learning new things from other students. Three students who are learning piano spent the day learning to play orchestral percussion instruments. After tutorial and band sessions, the day finished with a barbecue organised by the Muirfield High team and a lovely concert in the Coonabarabran High School hall. The standard of playing was exceptionally high and included pieces such as Don’t Stop Me Now by Queen, Welcome to the Jungle by Guns n’ Roses, and The Man from Snowy River. Our own musicians Hannah Smith and Milly Smith featured in solos in some of these pieces and did a fantastic job.

Students from St Lawrence’s, Coonabarabran Public School, Coonabarabran High School, St John’s and Baradine Central School participated in the workshop and performance. St John’s students who participated were: Alice Harris; Zac Haywood.

A big thank you goes to Mrs Salim and members of the Orbital Swing Band for helping prepare the morning tea, Celia and Kim Canham for organising lunch, Coonabarabran High School for allowing us to use the premises, Di Suthons for all of her work behind the scenes, Lois Smith for spending hours in the canteen helping us out, and the parents of the music students for supporting the day and attending the concert.

Aimee Rossler
EXCESS ITEMS FOR SALE

The school has the following items for sale. Please contact the office on 6843 1644 to discuss a price if you (or anyone you know) is interested in these items.

♦ Overhead Projector - Very Good Condition
♦ Music Keyboard - Has loose connection
♦ Padded Laptop Carry Bags - New $15